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## Elba Police arrest two on multiple charges, including chemical endangerment of a child

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Elba Police arrested two suspects Thursday, Aug. 27, on multiple drug charges, including three counts each of chemical endangerment of a child.

Police Chief Leslie Hussey said officers from his department assisted DHR [Department of Human Resources] officials in checking on the children at the residence of 22077 Highway 87, Elba, last Thursday morning just after 10 a.m. Upon arriving at the residence, he said officials discovered drugs and drug paraphernalia in the home.

A male and female were arrested, the chief said.

Myesia Morrisette, age 29, of Elba was charged with three counts of chemical endangerment of a child [each count carries a \$15,000 bond]. She also



Myesia Morrisette

was charged with possession of a controlled substance [\$7,500 bond], and possession of marijuana – second degree [\$2,500 bond].

Kermire Williams, age 26, of Elba was charged with three counts of chemical endangerment [\$15,000 bond each], probation violation (felony), possession of marijuana – second de-



Kermire Williams

gree [\$2,500 bond], and possession of a controlled substance [\$7,500 bond].

Chief Hussey said the officers also seized a gun from the residence.

Both Morrisette and Williams were booked into the Coffee County Jail following their arrests last Thursday. They remained in the jail as of press time this week.

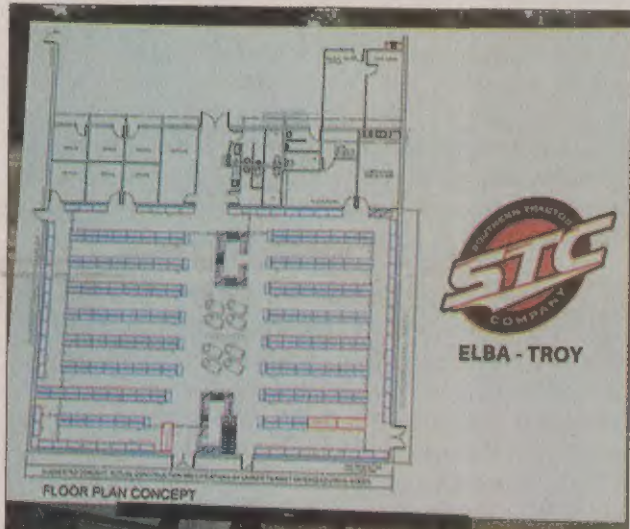


Blake Streetman, owner of Southern Tractor LLC and the new Southern Tractor Company (STC) to be constructed in Elba is shown speaking last Wednesday morning, Aug. 26, during the groundbreaking ceremony for STC on the site it will be constructed. Also taking part in the ceremony were State Senator Jimmy Holley, Elba Mayor Mickey Murdock, and other city and STC employees. See Page 10 for more from this event.

## Groundbreaking ceremony held for new Southern Tractor Company coming to Elba

Two months after the Elba Water and Electric Board approved transferring a piece of brownfield land on U.S. Highway 84 in Elba to Southern Tractor LLC, the project took a giant step forward last Wednesday, Aug. 26, when an official groundbreaking ceremony was held to signify the start of construction.

A very excited Blake Streetman, owner of Southern Tractor LLC, has said the new Southern Tractor Company will include a 10,000 sq. ft. retail store, along with a 30,000 sq. ft. tractor dealership. He describes the Southern Tractor Company retail store as being a lot like a Rural King home and farm store or



This rendering shows the suggested concept for the new Southern Tractor Company layout, along with the floor plan concept for the retail store.

even a cross between Tractor Supply meets Ace Hardware.

Either way, Streetman said this exciting venture will give the people of Elba a store that will offer home and garden products and more, and they will not have to travel 30-minutes to get the items they need any longer.

"Where do you go in Elba to buy anything after 5 p.m.?" Streetman asked.

He said STC would offer a little bit of everything for the home, except cold groceries. He said his plans are for the store to be open well after 5 p.m. to allow Elba citizens plenty of time to shop for their household needs without having to travel outside of the city.

Streetman also said he is excited to be able to bring this type store to his hometown. He said he could have gone other places with the store, but that would not have helped Elba, the city he grew up in and loves.

Southern Tractor Company will be the retail name of the new store with Southern Tractor LLC remaining the tractor dealership. Streetman said he is excited to bring new jobs to Elba with this new venture. Southern Tractor currently sells tractors, lawn mowers, side by side atvs, and a full line of lawn care implements.

Streetman said he hopes this is just a starting point for Elba's economic growth, and he too has more plans.

## G.W. Long Football Informational Map



This informational map from G.W. Long High School in Skipperville was sent to Elba High School earlier this week to help Elba fans better navigate the campus for visitor parking and also in locating the visitor gate for purchasing tickets Friday night.

## Elba fans limited to 350 tickets for Friday night's game

## G.W. Long School sends important football info to Elba

Elba fans planning to attend tomorrow night's [Friday, Sept. 4th] football game in Skipperville against the G.W. Long High School Rebels need to take note of COVID-19 guidelines in place for that school.

G.W. Long High School is operating at a 50 percent capacity for its football stadium this season, due to COVID-19. Officials said that limits the stadium to 900 total fans in attendance.

Information sent to Elba High School earlier this week indicated the following: "Visiting fans will have an equal amount of tickets available as our home fans. This allows for both home and visitors to have 450 available tickets. Visiting teams with a band will have 450 tickets available at the gate minus the amount of band members."

Elba High School principal Wynn Grimes said Elba plans to take its full band to G.W. Long for Friday night's game; therefore, that will limit fan tickets to 350 for attendance. He said G.W. Long sells these tickets at the gate on the

night of the game on a first come, first serve basis.

All varsity game tickets at G.W. Long are \$7 each. According to information from the school, the visitor gate will open at 5:30 p.m. to begin ticket sales. No visitor tickets are pre-sold for the games at G.W. Long High School.

At the time of kickoff, all tickets (home and visitor)

will be moved to the home entrance ticket booth.

Facial masks are required for entry, and all are asked to abide by the guidelines set for by the Alabama Department of Public Health and the Alabama High School Athletic Association. Officials said signs are posted throughout the stadium with information pertaining to the guidelines.

## NOTICE:

On Thursday, Aug. 27, Alabama Governor Kay Ivey extended the state's Safer-at-Home Public Health Order for COVID-19. The order was extended until 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 2, 2020.

The extended order also extended the state's mandate that citizens wear facial coverings when in public, and especially in times when proper social distancing cannot be accomplished. See Page 2 for more.

## AREA HAPPENINGS

**THE COFFEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION WILL HOLD THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING** to present the system-wide budget for Fiscal Year 2021 on Thursday, Sept. 3, at 5:30 p.m. The budget hearing will be held at the Board of Education Administrative Office, 400 Reddoch Hill Road, Elba, Ala. during the regularly scheduled board meeting. A special board meeting and second public hearing will be held at 12 noon on Thursday, Sept. 10, at the Board of Education Administrative Office. Parents, teachers and interested citizens may attend these budget hearings. Budget forms will be available at the Coffee County Board of Education Superintendent's Office prior to the hearings.

**HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SEASON CONTINUES** this Friday, Sept. 4, with the Elba Tigers traveling to Skipperville to play the G.W. Long Rebels, the Zion Chapel Rebels will host Abbeville (at Bates Memorial Stadium in Enterprise), the Kinston Bulldogs will host the Brantley Bulldogs, and the New Brockton Gamecocks will travel to Opp. Kickoff is 7 p.m. for these games.

**THE CITY OF ELBA OFFICES** will be closed Monday, Sept. 7, in observance of Labor Day. For utility emergencies during this time, call the Elba Police Department at (334) 897-2555. The garbage truck will run its normal schedule.

## Elba City Council certifies Aug. 25th Municipal Election results

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The ballot for the Oct. 6th runoff election for Mayor of Elba officially is set after the Elba City Council canvassed the votes and certified the election results this Tuesday, Sept. 1, during a special meeting from the Aug. 25th Municipal Election.

The council met Tuesday at noon with a quorum present. Council members Jane Brunson, Tom Maddox, and A.R. Williams were in attendance along with Mayor Mickey Murdock.

The official vote from Aug. 25th remained the same as the unofficial vote reported last week following the election. Chelsea Cooper received 142 total votes; Tim Johnson received 278 total votes; and Tom Maddox received 283 total votes.

With no candidate receiving a majority vote for the Office of Mayor, a runoff election now must be held Tuesday, Oct. 6, between the two top voter getters – Tom Maddox and Tim Johnson.

The council members present for Tuesday's special election unanimously approved a canvass resolution to that effect. The council members present also unanimously approved a Certificate of Election.

The next regular meeting for the Elba City Council will be Monday, Sept. 14, at 5:30 p.m., at Elba City Hall.

## Second Elba Mayoral Forum set for Sept. 24

The Elba Clipper and Elba Chamber of Commerce again will come together to host a Mayoral Forum between Elba Mayor candidates Tom Maddox and Tim Johnson. This forum is planned for Thursday, Sept. 24, at 6:30 p.m., and will be carried live on Facebook on The Elba Clipper page and the Elba, Alabama Chamber of Commerce page.

The on-site location is yet to be determined but should be known by next week's edition of The Elba Clipper [stay tuned for further details on that].

"We understand there were some sound issues from the first Mayoral Forum regarding folks being able to hear the moderator," said Linda Hodge, Editor of The Elba Clipper. "That issue has been addressed and should be corrected by the Sept. 24th event."

The Elba Municipal Runoff Election between Maddox and Johnson will be held Tuesday, Oct. 6th.

## NOTICE:

The Elba Clipper will be closed Monday, Sept. 7, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.



## EDITORIAL

## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"Describing her first day back in grade school after a long absence, a teacher said, 'It was like trying to hold 35 corks under water at the same time.'" - Mark Twain

The Alabama Supreme Court on Friday refused to reverse its decision upholding much of the 2016 ethics convictions of former House Speaker Mike Hubbard. This appears to be the end of the road for his appeals . . . that is unless he goes on to the U. S. Supreme Court with his appealing. If that happens (or if it can happen) he will still be a free man for a while. Things move even slower when attempting to get a case before the "big court" in Washington. Our thoughts are that he would probably have another year of freedom, even if the SCOUS ultimately declined to hear his case.

The Elba vote for the office of Mayor could not have been much closer, with a five-vote spread between Tim Johnson and Tom Maddox, with Maddox coming out on top. These two will face the voters again on October 6th. As we said all along, even with the three candidates, 'This is a win-win situation for the people of Elba'. Both candidates are smart, educated, qualified, and have demonstrated a dedication to public service.

Hey, if you vote in Elba's run-off election on October 6, you will probably get a free ball point pen. The poll officials pass them out for marking ballots and refuse to take the pen back for fear of getting your nasty ole COVID-19 germs!

There has sprung up a whole new mini industry in the past couple of years - Fact Checking political statements. It seems that those doing the fact checking are the most impacted by the information. The rest of us sometimes read the corrected version of a misquote but then move on to something else with a "so what". If it is from 'our politician' then we discount the effort to correct a statement as sour grapes. If the questioned statement of fact is from "that other candidate" the tendency seems to trigger thoughts of, "We figured that all along" and also move on. In our humble opinion, somehow this has got to come to an end. It is not good for society if the only thing we know for sure when someone is talking is . . . they are still alive!

There had been rumors around for a couple of weeks of a pending change of companies servicing the Elba area with emergency ambulance service. Well this week it became official. The Coffee County EMA board has approved Enterprise Rescue Inc. as the new provider. They are now servicing the Western part of Coffee County with a permanent location on the West side of town (Old Movie Gallery building) on Hickman Avenue, up the hill past Dorsey Trailers. Our understanding is that Enterprise Rescue has purchased that building so they appear to be here to stay. Having never had to use any local ambulance in Elba, even back in the volunteer days, the name on the side of the ambulance means little but if emergency transport is ever needed, it is wanted NOW. Citizens are encouraged to take note of this change, just in case!

## Proceeding With Caution

UPDATED STATEWIDE COVID-19 HEALTH ORDER FOR ALABAMA

## AMENDED SAFER AT HOME

The Safer at Home order extends until October 2nd at 5 p.m.



## WHAT'S STAYING THE SAME:

## MASKS IN SCHOOLS

Masks required in schools and colleges, where possible, for employees and students in second grade and above

## MASKS

Masks required in public when interacting within 6 feet with people of another household, subject to certain exceptions

## ENTERTAINMENT VENUES (SUCH AS ARCADES, THEATERS, BOWLING ALLEYS)

May open subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules and guidelines

## ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES

Allowed subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules and guidelines

## EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

May open subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules and guidelines

## CHILD DAY CARE FACILITIES

May open subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules and guidelines

## SUMMER CAMP

May open subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules and guidelines

## INDIVIDUALS

Encouraged to stay home and follow good sanitation practices

## EMPLOYERS

Businesses may open subject to sanitation and social-distancing guidelines

## RETAIL STORES

All retail stores may open subject to 50% occupancy rate, social-distancing and sanitation rules

## MEDICAL PROCEDURES

Allowed unless prohibited in the future by the State Health Officer to preserve resources necessary to diagnose and treat COVID-19; providers must follow COVID-19-related rules and guidance from state regulatory boards or public health authorities

## SENIOR CITIZEN CENTERS

Regular programming still suspended except meals still available through curbside pick-up or delivery

## HOSPITALS AND NURSING HOMES

Still must implement policies to restrict visitation

## NON-WORK GATHERINGS

Still required to maintain 6 feet of distance between persons not from same household

## RESTAURANTS, BARS AND BREWERIES

May open with limited table seating, 6 feet between tables and subject to additional sanitation rules and guidelines

## ATHLETIC FACILITIES (SUCH AS FITNESS CENTERS AND COMMERCIAL GYMS)

Athletic facilities may open subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules and guidelines

## CLOSE-CONTACT SERVICE PROVIDERS

Close-contact service providers (such as barber shops, hair salons, nail salons, tattoo services) may open subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules and guidelines

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6 months - \$13

Outside Alabama - \$27 per year - 6 months - \$15

Cuzin Lou Lou's  
Tales from Yonder

Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's comments are  
best delivered using your biggest Southern drawl, lol!

Cuzin Lou Lou visited her general medicine doctor last week and the news was pretty good! The only downside was being told her body's iron level was low again, which meant Lou Lou would have to start taking her iron supplement again.

Cuzin Lou Lou has struggled with anemia on and off for years but had been doing pretty good the past few years. She figures as long as that's the worst report she gets from the doc, then she doesn't have too much to complain about overall.

Lou Lou decided to have a little fun with Sister when she delivered the update from the doc. Sister always asks, "Well...what did she say?" So, Lou Lou went about explaining the iron deficiency in a good 'ole tale from yonder fashion...

"She said eat more steak!" was Lou Lou's response to Sister.

"What???"

"Well... her exact words were something like 'Your iron is low again' but all I heard was 'you need to eat more steak, i.e. red meat!'"

Yep...you guessed it. Sister rolled her eyes.

Sister was not complaining at all a short time later, however, when she was chomping down on that Outback ribeye! Actually, it appeared pretty evident

that she could get on board really quick with the 'Eat More Steak' campaign to increase Lou Lou's iron levels.

A few days later, Sister

was less than compassionate to the circumstances when Lou Lou took a little spill off some bleachers at a youth football game.

After losing her footing on the wet wooden steps leading off the metal bleachers, Lou Lou crashed very ungracefully into the bleachers. In an attempt from falling completely on her face in front of a bunch of folks, Lou Lou let her leg take the brunt of the hit, which resulted in several bruises and a twisted knee.

Lou Lou calls Sister to tell her what had just happened, and she had the nerve to tell Lou Lou that she is getting old and needs to be more careful!

The audacity! Lou Lou is anything but old, in her mind!

The following day, when she moved to get out of bed, she may have thought different for a slight second; but never would she admit that to Sister! Sister may be getting old, but to Lou Lou age is nothing but a number!

The good news was, another trip to see the good doctor was not required following the weekend fall. But, Sister may be headed that way soon if she doesn't quit calling Lou Lou old!

If you hear of a little dispute coming from Yonder anytime soon, just know that Sister said it one time too many!

Truthfully, though, Lou Lou would lose that battle too - most likely.

Until next time...God

Bless and Keep Smiling.

## Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, Aug. 18, and Monday, Aug. 25, 2020, conducted the following activity:

**TUESDAY, AUG. 25** - Routine activity.

**WEDNESDAY, AUG. 26** - Animal complaint reported at 1019 Claxton Ave (6:14 a.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 87 (4:20 p.m.); Assault reported on Reynolds Ave (10:13 p.m.).

There were two traffic stops on this date, resulting in one no action taken and one verbal warning issued.

**THURSDAY, AUG. 27** - Elba Police made two arrests at 22077 Hwy 87 while assisting another agency (10:08 a.m.); Stolen vehicle reported to police (10:37 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Teresa St (11:18 a.m.); Noise complaint reported at 1023 Guyton St - an arrest was made upon further investigation (8:22 p.m.).

**FRIDAY, AUG. 28** - Prowler reported in area of Deal St (12:00 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Hwy 203 (1:09 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 120 Old Samson Rd with an arrest made following investigation (1:53 a.m.); Burglary reported at 776 West St (7:08 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1047 Sunset Blvd (8:54 a.m.); Possible drug activity reported on Williams Ave (12:01 p.m.); Theft of property reported to police (3:26 p.m.).

**SATURDAY, AUG. 29** - Domestic complaint reported at 1287 Claxton Ave N (3:31 a.m.); Suspicious person reported on Taylor Mill Rd (4:15 a.m.); Traffic accident with an arrest re-

ported on Martin Luther King Dr (5:28 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1280 Hwy 203 (9:56 a.m.); Suspicious person reported on Hwy 203 (10:07 a.m.); Shots fired reported on Reynolds Ave (11:21 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 942 Claxton Ave N (12:32 p.m.); Domestic complaint with an arrest made at 1511 Powell Circle (12:59 p.m.); Unauthorized use of a vehicle reported on Hwy 203 (2:54 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 893 Forest Ave (5:37 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1279 Ann St (5:48 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 120 County Rd 263 (6:33 p.m.); Suspicious circumstance reported at 1058 Morrow Ave (7:28 p.m.); Harassment reported at 1420 County Rd 428 (7:36 p.m.); Theft of property reported at 893 Forest Ave (9:25 p.m.); Noise complaint on Harper Dr (10:24 p.m.). There was one traffic stop reported on this date with a citation issued.

**SUNDAY, AUG. 30** - Assault reported at 1235 Farris Ave (8:28 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Jackson Ave (8:30 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at the Inland store on Davis St (7:08 p.m.).

**MONDAY, AUG. 31** - Domestic complaint reported at 266 County Road 263 (9:40 a.m.); Burglary reported at 709 Roosevelt Dr (10:53 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at the Inland store on Davis St (2:19 p.m.); Trespassing reported at 646 County Rd 263 (9:33 p.m.). There were three traffic stops reported on this date with verbal warnings issued on all.





As of this week, this building on Hickman Avenue in Elba [the old Subway and Movie Gallery building] is the new location for an EMS service post for Enterprise Rescue Inc. Haynes Ambulance is no longer providing ambulance and emergency medical services to the Elba area; instead, it is now Enterprise Rescue Inc. Therefore, should any citizen experience a medical emergency and he/she attempts to drive to the EMS building in Elba for help, he/she would need to go to this building on Hickman Avenue not the downtown building formerly occupied by Haynes Ambulance near the Elba Fire Department. According to Elba Mayor Mickey Murdock, this provider change was approved by the Coffee County EMA board.

## Last day to apply for absentee ballots for Elba's Mayoral Runoff Election is Oct. 1st

Elba Mayor Mickey Murdock announced at the city's special meeting Tuesday, Sept. 1, to canvass the Aug. 25th election results that there would be a Mayoral Run-off Election on Tuesday, Oct. 6, between Tim Johnson and Tom Maddox.

The Run-Off Election will be held at the Elba Church of Christ Fellowship Hall. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Any registered voter in Elba wanting to vote absentee may pick up an application at Elba City Hall. The last day to apply for a regular Absentee Ballot is Oct. 1, 2020.

If a voter applied to vote absentee in the August 25, 2020 election and did not check the box for Run-Off, he/she must apply again. A ballot will not be automatically sent.

All applications must be returned by the voter or mailed to City Hall at 200 Buford Street, Elba, AL 36323 [attention Election Manager]. Once the application is received a ballot will be mailed and must be delivered in person by the voter to the Election Manager, mailed by U S Postal Service, or mailed by commercial carrier. All ballots must be received in person no later than 5 p.m. the day prior to the Election (Oct. 5th); or if mailed must be received by 12 noon the day of the election.

The two candidates in the Runoff for Mayor of Elba are Tom Maddox and Tim Johnson.

## USDA's Farm Service Agency announces changes for emergency haying and grazing use for acres in CRP

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) recently announced changes for emergency haying and grazing use of acres enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP). This includes changes outlined in the 2018 Farm Bill that streamlines the authorization process for farmers and ranchers.

"Drought conditions are tough for our livestock producers, but emergency haying and grazing use of Conservation Reserve Program acres provides temporary relief to these producers," said David McCurdy, State Executive Director in Alabama. "Thanks to a streamlined authorization process, Alabama producers will be able to more quickly obtain emergency use approval to begin emergency haying or grazing of CRP acres."

Previously emergency haying and grazing requests originated with FSA at the county level and required state and national level approval. Now approval will be based on drought severity as determined by the U.S. Drought Monitor.

To date, Baldwin and Mobile counties in Alabama have triggered eligibility for emergency haying and grazing on CRP acres. A list by state and map of eligible counties are updated weekly and available on FSA's website.

Producers located in a county that is designated as severe drought (D2) or greater on or after the last day of the primary nesting season are eligible for emergency haying and grazing on all eligible acres. Additionally, producers located in counties that were in a severe drought (D2) status any single week during the last eight weeks of

the primary nesting season may also be eligible for emergency haying and grazing unless the FSA County Committee determines that forage conditions no longer warrant emergency haying and grazing.

Counties that trigger for Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP) payments based on the U.S. Drought Monitor may have only certain practices on less than 50% of eligible contract acres. Producers should contact their local FSA county office for eligible CRP practices.

Producers who don't meet the drought monitor qualifications but have a 40% loss of forage production may also be eligible for emergency haying and grazing outside of the primary nesting season.

Before haying or grazing eligible acres, producers must submit a request for CRP emergency haying or grazing to FSA and obtain a modified conservation plan from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

Emergency grazing is authorized for up to 90 days and emergency haying is authorized for up to 60 days. Program participants must stop haying and grazing 30 days before the first freeze date in the fall based on the dates established for LFP.

Under the emergency grazing provisions, producers can use the CRP acreage for their own livestock or may grant another livestock producer use of the CRP acreage. The eligible CRP acreage is limited to acres located within the approved county.

For emergency haying, producers are limited to one cutting and are permitted to sell the hay. Participants must remove all hay from CRP

acreage within 15 days after baling and remove all livestock from CRP acreage no later than 1 day after the end of the emergency grazing period. There will be no CRP annual rental payment reduction for emergency haying and grazing authorizations.

For more information on CRP emergency haying and grazing visit [fsa.usda.gov/crp](https://fsa.usda.gov/crp) or contact your FSA county office. To locate your FSA office, visit [farmers.gov/service-locator](https://farmers.gov/service-locator). For more disaster recovery assistance programs, visit [farmers.gov/recover](https://farmers.gov/recover).

All USDA Service Centers are open for business, including some that are open to visitors to conduct business in person by appointment only. All Service Center visitors wishing to conduct business with the FSA, Natural Resources Conservation Service or any other Service Center agency should call ahead and schedule an appointment. Service Centers that are open for appointments will pre-screen visitors based on health concerns or recent travel, and visitors must adhere to social distancing guidelines. Visitors may also be required to wear a face covering during their appointment. Field work will continue with appropriate social distancing. Our program delivery staff will be in the office, and they will be working with our producers in office, by phone and using online tools. More information can be found at [farmers.gov/coronavirus](https://farmers.gov/coronavirus).

# Obituaries

Death notices updated regularly on our website at [www.elba-clipper.com](http://www.elba-clipper.com)

## SHIRLEY BROWN BLACK BAGWELL

Mrs. Shirley Brown Black Bagwell, age 83, a resident of Jack, Ala., died Saturday, Aug. 29, 2020, at her home.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Sept. 1, 2020, at Dillard Funeral Home in Brundidge, Ala., with Rev. Averyt Walker and Rev. Kenny Horn officiating.

Survivors include her children: Wendell Black (Paula), Tonda Dewberry (Steve), Donna Rugg (Phil), Perry Bagwell (Carolyn), Samuel Bagwell (Diane), Chris Bagwell (Diane); grandchildren: Stacey Nelson (Paul), Britley Parker (Michael), Crystal Christian, Hanna Whitt, Wyndi Cotton (Chad), Nathaniel Bagwell (Hailey), Kayla Hall, RP Bagwell, Heath Bagwell, Joey Bagwell (Shannon), Alicia Bagwell; sister: Linda Sue Brown; and numerous great-grandchildren and other family.

Page Clark (Rick Stacy), Colorado Springs, Colo.; great nieces: Megan Britany Anable (Jason), Bree Summer Hage, Destiny Rowan Hage, Asha Arlena Smith, and Mellie Margaret Smith; great nephews: Daniel Mark Smith (Keri), David Chad Smith (Alex), Chance Christopher Smith, and Clark Joe Smith; and many great-great-nieces and nephews.

## KATHLEEN COLEMAN WILLIAMS

Mrs. Kathleen Coleman Williams, age 81, of Elba, Ala., died Thursday, Aug. 20, 2020.

She was born May 4, 1939, in Barbour County, to the late Rosa Lee Reeves and Colonial Coleman. Kathleen attended school in Elba. She was united in holy matrimony to the late Thomas E. Williams until death separated them in 1992.

Because she enjoyed helping others, Kathleen chose to become a home health aide at the Coffee County Health Department. During her time of employment, she made many friends before retiring for medical reasons.

Funeral services were held Aug. 29, 2020 from the Chapel of Coleman Funeral Home in Elba.

She was preceded in death by four of her sons: Roderick Williams, Willard Coleman, Navonjar Williams and Bishop Hirron Williams.

Survivors include her children: Jimmy Coleman, Birmingham, Ala., Rufus (Minister Pearl) Williams, Arton, Ala., Lula Cole, and Kathryn (Andrew) Daniels, both of Elba, Beverly

Aponte, Ozark, Ala., Gloria (Miguel) Encarnacion, Randy Williams, and Melanie Newsome, all of Oak Grove, Ky., Evangelist Conzuella (Elder Michael) Banks, Enterprise; one daughter-in-law: Apostle Linda Williams; four sisters: Mary Blue, Rhodie Cole, Juanita Coleman and Lula Coleman; four brothers: C.W. (Sharon) Coleman, Elder Sarlie (Jackie) Coleman Sr., Bobby Coleman and Jerrie Coleman; one aunt: Vernella Carmichael; one uncle: Sammie Coleman; two sisters-in-law: Evangelist Rosa Coleman and Dr. Ruby Ellison; two brothers-in-law: Robert Williams and Ben Williams; 35 grandchildren, 53 great-grandchildren and 32 great-great grandchildren; Goddaughters, Carolyn Caldwell, Faye (Adair) Lee and Wanda Ash; Godsons: Ammie James Johnson, Bill Edwards and Elder Marcus Griffin; and a host of adopted grandsons, Mother Board friends, church family, nieces and nephews, and other relatives and friends.

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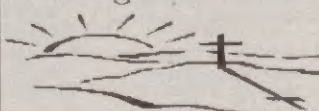
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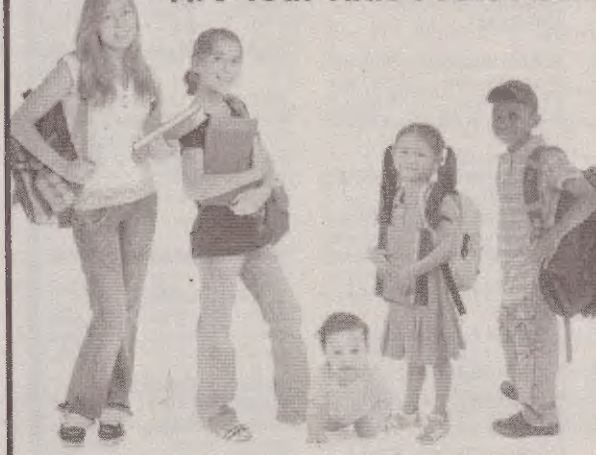
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## CHURCH NEWS

### Newbia Baptist Church dedicated as "A House of Prayer"

Newbia Baptist Church, located at 3819 County Road 330, Elba, recently dedicated the church as "A House of Prayer".

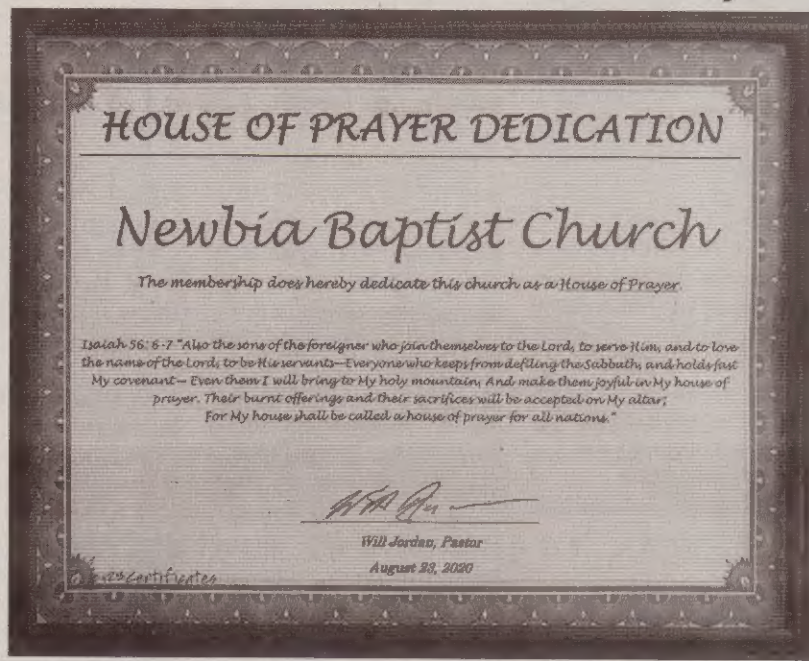
While all churches pray, for some it has become ritualistic and mundane.

"We, at Newbia, believe that a House of Prayer is not a church that has lots of prayers; it is a church that is known and characterized more than anything else by its heart for seeking God through prayer," pastor Will Jordan said.

A House of Prayer is characterized by all types of prayers and not just asking prayers. Prayer for petition, intercession, thanksgiving, praise, worship and confession should be the normal for Christ's Church.

"We believe that if fervent prayer is priority one, then all other ministries of the church will be strong due to God's Amazing Grace," Jordan said.

Newbia is having services on Sunday morning at 11 a.m. and Sunday evening at 6 p.m. Everyone is invited.



### Newbia Baptist Church conducting in-person services

Newbia Baptist Church, located at 3819 County Road 330, Elba, is having in-person services. Sunday school is at 10:15 a.m. with morning service at 11 a.m. Sunday evening service is at 6 p.m., and Wednesday

night prayer meeting and Bible study is at 7 p.m. Newbia is a dedicated "House of Prayer".

Pastor Will Jordan wants everyone to know that ALL are welcome at Newbia.



### New pastor named for Elba's Greater New Zion Missionary Baptist Church

Reverend Jeremie Turner Sr. has been named pastor of Greater New Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Elba, Ala. He comes to Elba from Birmingham, Ala.

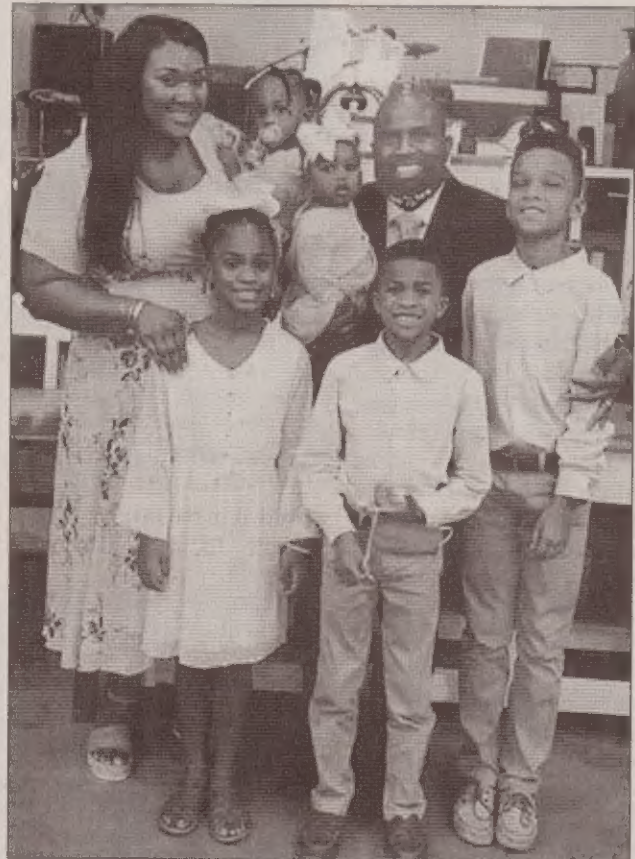
Rev. Turner began his ministry at the tender age of

15 in Birmingham. He continued his pastoral work as he furthered his education at Alabama State University and received his B.S. in Ministry/Bible and later his M.S. in Ministry/Bible Leadership from Amridge University's Turner School of Theology. He is currently enrolled at Andersonville Theological Seminary, studying to receive his M. Div. in Christian Leadership. He has plans to also complete his studies for the D. Min. in Pastoral Leadership.

Turner has served at Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist

Church, Birmingham, Hutchinson Missionary Baptist Church, King Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Mt. Elam Missionary Baptist Church and Shady Grove Missionary Baptist Church.

Reverend Turner is married to the former Britney Shelburne. They are the parents of five children: Amour, Bryson, Jeremie II, Brianna and Olivia. His family will be joining him in the move to Elba.



Rev. Jeremie Turner and family

### Round and About with Eria's Daughter

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Scripture: Do Not Rob God [Malachi 3: 8-12]

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August Birthdays / Anniversaries

Catherine Carpenter 8/15 Rev/Sis Tyrone Smith 8/15 W.A.

Tammie D. Knight 8/15 Otis/Joyce Johnson 8/15 W.A.

Jeffery Starks 8/15 Ree/Nita Brooks 8/17

Missy Berry 8/17 Isaac Nelson 8/18

Victori Edwards 8/18 Dea. J.L. Edwards 8/18

O'Shay Hammonds 8/20 Rosemary Edwards 8/20

Chasity Williams Hargrett 8/21

#### \*\* Known By Name

It has been said that nothing sounds sweeter to any man or woman than the sound of his or her own name. That is the reason motivational speakers urge the audiences to learn people's names. They even suggest certain techniques for remembering names, such as repeating a person's name while we are conversing with him or her. Perhaps we have heard a person say, "Your face is familiar, but I can't recall your name." Some people might be offended at hearing that. A.B. "Happy" Chandler served as governor of Kentucky, as a United States Senator, and also as the commissioner of baseball. It was said that, because of his phenomenal memory and a real effort he made to remember names, he never forgot the name of any person he met.

The fact that Jesus called Zaccheus by name tells us much about Jesus' knowl-

edge and of compassion for the individual. Jesus did not say, "Hey, you – you up in the tree there – get down!" He called Zaccheus by name. Such are God's dealings with His creation. Recall His speaking by name to Abraham [Genesis 22:11], Moses [Exodus 3:4], and Samuel [1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 3: 4-10].

It is not at all hard to believe that the very hairs of our head are numbered by such a God. He who created us in His image knows each one of us personally and individually, and He sent His Son to die for each one of us. We are never simply "John Doe" or "Jane Doe" to Christ! – R.C.S.

#### Question / Answer Section

Q/A for the Week of 8-27-20

True or False

Q: God considered destroying Israel and creating a new nation under Moses.

A: True [Numbers 14: 12]

Q: God revealed Himself out of fire to deliver the Ten Commandments.

A: False [Deuteronomy 4: 12]

#### Thought to Remember

Sorry Looks Back

Worry Looks Around

Faith Looks Up

#### Questions for the Week of 9-3-2020

##### Multiple Choice

Q: The sinful woman washed Jesus' feet with what? Pick Two (tears), (myrrh), (her hair)

Q: Paul stated his intent to make which visit to church in Corinth? (second), (third), (fourth)

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue

Church News due on Mondays!

### THE FOUR WAY TEST

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LIGHT OF MEN

**ABOUNDING GRACE  
COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Rockey Pearce, Pastor  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

**ABUNDANT LIFE  
CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.**  
Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

**ALBERTON BAPTIST  
CHURCH**  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

**BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sam Self, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:30 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

**BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH**  
Rev. Deborah A. Butler, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

**BETHLEHEM BAPTIST  
CHURCH**  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Class . . . 6:30 p.m.

**BETHANY BAPTIST  
CHURCH**  
Greg Coffer, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Disciple Train . . . 5:30 p.m.  
Even. Worship . . . 6:30 p.m.

**BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST  
CHURCH**  
Tom Senn, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

**BROOKLYN BAPT CHURCH**  
Robert Davis, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

**CHESTNUT GROVE METH-  
ODIST**  
Rev. Remona Smith  
Church Service . . . 9:00 a.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays  
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.  
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays

**CORNERSTONE BIBLE  
CHURCH**  
Larry Mills, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.

**COVENANT COMMUNITY  
CHURCH**  
Diana White, Pastor  
Bible Study . . . 9:00 a.m.  
Fellowship . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Wed. Night (Youth Real Deal  
and Children's Activities) . . .  
6:00 p.m.

**DAMASCUS BAPT. CHURCH**  
Steve Watson, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

**DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Dale Morgan, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m.  
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.

**EAON BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Mark Ward, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:15 p.m.

**ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Phillip Box, Minister  
Bible Study . . . 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:30 p.m.

**ELBA CHURCH OF GOD**  
David Noble, Pastor  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

**ELBA CHURCH OF GOD  
OF PROPHECY**  
H.L. Buckner, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Thurs. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.

**ELBA DELIVERANCE  
TABERNACLE**  
Allen Richards, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

**ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Dwight Johnson, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

**ELBA 1st BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Tom Anderson, Interim Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

**ELBA UNITED METH-  
ODIST CHURCH**  
Steve Reneau, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Services . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

**ELBA ZION BAPT. CHURCH**  
Lovell Martin, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

**EVANGELIST TEMPLE  
CHURCH OF GOD IN  
CHRIST**  
Timothy Williams, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

**FAIRVIEW BAPT CHURCH**  
Garry Winstead, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.

**FAITH CHAPEL  
COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Phillip Adcock, Pastor  
Sunday Morning . . . 10:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

**1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD -  
KINSTON**  
Danny Bradshaw, Pastor  
Morn. Worship . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study . . . 7:00 p.m.

**FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST  
CHURCH**  
Scott Donaldson, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

**FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS  
CHURCH**  
Edward E. Drake, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.

**GODS POWER HOUSE  
EVANGELISTIC CHURCH.**  
Overseers - Bro Billy Berry  
Sat. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Sun. Service . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 4:00 p.m.

**GREATER NEW ZION  
BAPTIST CHURCH**  
J. R. Parks, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
1st & 3rd Sundays

**MT. GILEAD BAPTIST  
CHURCH**  
Dewey Enfinger, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

**MT. OLIVE BAPT. CHURCH**  
Olan Strickland, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

**MT. ZION BAPTIST  
CHURCH**  
Kevin Byrd, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

**MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY  
OF GOD**  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

**INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Wesley D. Ard, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

**INO BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Garry Winstead, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 8:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

**JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Matthew Morris, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service . . . 7:15 p.m.

**KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH**  
Ben Posey, Pastor  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

**LIVING WORD CHURCH**  
Derrick Stinson, Pastor  
Saturday Service . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Service . . . 10:30 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Youth Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Thurs. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

**LIBERTY CHURCH OF  
CHRIST**  
Greg Hanchey, Minister  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

**LOVE'S WAY CHURCH**  
Charles Jones, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

**MT. CALVARY BAPTIST  
CHURCH**  
J. R. Parks, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
1st & 3rd Sundays

**NEW HAVEN BAPTIST  
CHURCH**  
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

**NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY  
OF GOD CHURCH**  
Brend Sasser, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.

**NEW HOPE BAPT CHURCH**  
Lanny Shepard, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

**NEW PHILADELPHIA  
CHURCH OF GOD IN  
CHRIST**  
Lorel Flowers, Minister  
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays

**Cathedral of the Holy Spirit  
NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL.**  
Linda Williams, Pastor  
Sunday . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Even. . . 7:30 p.m.

**OLD TABERNACLE UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**  
Lee Jones, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

**PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

**PINEY GROVE A.S.  
SEMBLY OF GOD - SAM-  
SON**  
Terry McCrummen, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Disciple Train . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Services 7:00 p.m.

**PRATSE & GLORY  
WORSHIP CENTER**  
Roy L. Turner, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

**ROCKY HEAD M.B.  
CHURCH**  
A. R. Williams, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays

**ROETON BAPTIST  
CHURCH**  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:00 p.m.

**SHADY GROVE A.M.E.  
CHURCH**  
James Boots, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

**SHILOH BAPTIST  
CHURCH**  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 4:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

**TAYLOR HILL  
BAPTIST  
CHURCH**  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.

**THE CHURCH OF JESUS  
CHRIST**  
Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday School . . . 12:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.  
Youth Ser. Mon. . . 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Class . . . 7:00 p.m.  
Fri. Missionary Ser. . . 7:00 p.m.

**THE WAY OF HOLINESS  
CHURCH, Elba**  
Max Reed, Minister  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.  
Tuesday Bible Class . . . 7:00 p.m.

**TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
C.P. Davis, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

**VANDERBILT HOLINESS  
CHURCH**  
Donald Mills, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

**VICTORIA BAPTIST  
CHURCH**  
Shayne Allen, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:45 p.m.  
Wed. Worship . . . 7:00 p.m.

**VICTORY TABERNACLE**  
Ruby Lawson, Pastor  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 7:00 p.m.

**WESTSIDE BAPTIST  
CHURCH**  
Ken Wilson, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

**WHITEWATER BAPTIST  
CHURCH**  
Tommy Green, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

**WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF  
GOD**  
Kenneth Hagler, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

**WOODLAND GROVE  
BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Donnie Marler, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 7:00 p.m.

**WOOTEN CHAPEL AS-  
SEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH**  
Mike Medley, Pastor  
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
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## SPORTS NEWS

Views From  
The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

**Our grandson Lawson saw his restful weekend** plans hit a snag as his Mom took him with her to a high school volleyball tournament. I'm sure he enjoyed cheering for her team in the tournament, but would have probably rather slept in and stayed in bed playing video games. Oh well, such is the life of a coach's son.

**For what it is worth....**

\*\*\* **The Elba Tigers improved to 2-0** with an exciting 26-21 come-from-behind road win over Opp last week and the 2A Tigers can now brag about being in first place in the Class 3A, Region 2 standings after wins over Daleville and Opp. The Tigers needed big plays on both offense and defense to escape with a win on Randy Griffin Field, but came up with just the right plays at just the right times as they surprised many folks by knocking off the pass-happy Bobcats. On offense, Chrystyle Caldwell had an 80-yard run early in the game to put the Tigers on top, and later ran over two Bobcat defenders to score his second touchdown of the night, while Elba twice converted on fourth down to keep scoring drives alive, with one coming on a huge gamble in the fourth quarter with the Tigers facing fourth and four on their own side of the field. Over on defense, the Tigers came up with an interception in the endzone to kill an Opp scoring threat early in the game, picked off a pass inside the Elba 10-yardline to turn back another threat, and returned a fourth quarter interception for a score to seal the win. I'm sure many of the Opp fans felt like their team should have won the game, but the scoreboard had Elba on top when the final horn sounded and the Tigers simply found a way to win on a hot and muggy night, on the road, against a very talented opponent. It was just one win during a ten-game season, but it was a good one!

\*\*\* **The season kicked off** for a couple of area teams, with mixed results, as top-ranked Brantley beat up on Luverne 49-0 and Zion Chapel lost to county-rival Kinston 40-26. Here is a quick look back at last week's area games....

\*\* **Brantley make it look easy** in a 49-0 romp over Luverne, and after the game the Bulldog fans were calling in to the radio talk shows making it clear these 'Dogs are without a doubt the team to beat in the 1A ranks. It was an impressive win over a cross-county rival, but it was just game one, and Brantley will get the best shot from all its opponents all season long and will be tested as the season moves on.

\*\* **Kinston rebounded from being shut out** in an opening week loss with a big 40-26 win over 2A county rival Zion Chapel. The Bulldogs are bound and determined to make a trip to the playoffs this season and the win over the Rebels definitely got them back headed in the right direction after just two weeks of action.

\*\* **Zion Chapel battled for all four quarters** in a 40-26 loss to Kinston, and after a lopsided loss in a preseason-jamboree and a loss in its opener, the Rebels are looking to right the ship in a hurry with a very rugged region schedule still ahead. The Rebels always work hard and will no doubt get back to work this week looking to correct mistakes, but need to figure things out in a hurry with a pair of 2A powers on the horizon.

\*\*\* **It was somewhat of a crazy week** across the state as a total of 21 teams claimed 1-0 forfeit wins over opponents affected by the virus. The forfeits were all an unfortunate result of the pandemic, but many other teams were lucky enough to play, and here's a look back at the week that was, starting in the 6A ranks where Coach Ed Rigby's Eufaula Tigers rolled up almost 400 yards in total offense in a shocking 38-36 win over 7A power Central, of Phenix City. In other games of note.... Geneva bounced back from its embarrassing 53-point loss to Opp with a wild 48-41 win over Slocomb; Daleville was shut out in a 42-0 loss to Dale County and has now lost its opening two games by a combined score of 92-0; Samson opened its season with an exciting 28-27 overtime win over 2A Cottonwood; Houston Academy didn't get to celebrate its win over 1A Kinston for long as the Raiders were spanked by Bayside 44-3, in Dothan; Arton battled 3A power Flomaton for all four quarters in a disappointing 29-20 loss, despite a 297-yard passing performance by the Purple Cats ninth-grade quarterback; Abbeville made it clear it is still a team to watch in the 2A ranks with a big 34-13 win over 4A Headland; Florala made it look easy with a 56-14 romp past 2A Houston County; Providence Christian rebounded from a rare shutout loss in week one with a 71-35 destruction of Northside Methodist, in a game in which the Eagles rushed for 644 yards; Enterprise rallied from an early deficit to down Montgomery Carver 35-19 in big season opening win; Andalusia slipped to 0-2 with a 28-21 loss to 7A Fairhope, with both losses coming at home; Highland Home fell to 0-2 with a 49-28 homefield loss to Alabama Christian and has found the going a little too tough in the opening two weeks; Straughn improved to 2-0 with a 19-0 walk over Red Level, its second straight win over an inferior county foe; and, Charles Henderson lost to Montgomery Catholic 27-13 in a game that was delayed starting by over an hour.

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\*\*\* **As I sat in the pressbox at Opp** last week I noticed a name in big letters between the 20 and 30-yardlines that read 'Randy Griffin Field.' The folks over in Opp named the field after the popular ex-coach last season and it was certainly deserving. The thing that jumped out to me was the fact that so many former Elba coaches have garnered honors at so many different locations. Of course, here in Elba we have 'Mack Wood Field,' while up in Brantley former Elba coach David Lowery has the stadium named after him, and up in Talladega former Elba coach Pearino Gaither has the board of education building named in his honor. Now, former Elba coach Randy Griffin has joined the list. Looks like Elba High may be the capitol of state high school coaches.

\*\*\* **There was nothing I enjoyed more** than laying back in my recliner watching a Braves game or another sporting in a rare moment of relaxation. However, this year the politics that have taken over the lives of so many Americans have resulted in reruns of Andy Griffith or playbacks of college football games. I had begun to watch a lot of golf, but it too has decided to give every golfer on the tour their thirty seconds of fame as a political analyst, and I could care less what they think about our country and our future, especially ones that aren't even from here and come over to the states just to make a couple of million dollars playing golf on courses with no fans. Okay, I guess that was my thirty seconds on the soap box.

\*\*\* **Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator** dropped by over the weekend and despite a less than stellar week of picking was still excited just to be able to watch high school sports. He reported that one radio call-in show he listened to after last week's game predicted the AHSAA would pull the plug on the season before much longer due to the number of teams having to forfeit due to the pandemic. However, the local guesspert just left this week's fearless forecast and predicted that as long as games are being played he will make his pocks. Last week the prognosticator hit on 20 of his 24 picks to move his season totals to 35 and 5. Not too shabby! Here are this week's picks....

**ELBA VS. G.W. LONG**

The Pea River felines will head across the creek into the deep woods of Dale County on Friday night looking to chase a band of soldiers back up the hill that surrounds the stadium. The felines are a little scratched up after last week's catfight, but should have enough energy left to make it back home with another big win.

**ELBA 26 G.W. LONG 20****KINSTON VS. BRANTLEY**

The bulldogs from down near the county line will be back home this week looking to pull off a shocker with a win over a pack of dogs picked by many to be headed for a state title. The bulldogs will fight for all four quarters to protect their turf, but these dogs from Crenshaw County may be just a little too tough.

**BRANTLEY 35 KINSTON 0****ZION CHAPEL VS. ABBEVILLE**

The troops from up at north Jack will head back over to the hole Friday night and will be looking to avoid getting sting by a bunch of yellow jackets that are reported to be hanging around the stadium. While the troops may have enough spray to put some down, the guess here is that there will be too many yellow jackets to avoid getting stung.

**ABBEVILLE 40 ZION CHAPEL 14****NEW BROCKTON VS. OPP**

The roosters from over near the bypass will finally get

to do some crowing this week when they head over to the City of Opportunity for a match-up against some short-tailed kitties that hang out across the street from the cemetery. The roosters should be able to get their talons into a couple of the kitties, but the guess here is that feathers will be flying.

**OPP 34 NEW BROCKTON 14****OTHER PICKS:**

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**Local Youth Football Action...**

**The Tiny Mites and Termites in youth football for Kinston and Brantley met for gridiron action Saturday, Aug. 29, in Brantley.** The two teams split the wins. The Brantley Tiny Mites won the first game and the Kinston Tiny Mites won the second game of the evening. Above, Kinston Termite defenders Evan Hilburn (7), Parker Weeks (12) and Triston Kilpatrick (5) are shown in pursuit. The Kinston Termites defense held the Brantley offense to just one TD on the night for the win after the Brantley Tiny Mites defense shut out the Kinston offense in the opening game.

## Elba Tigers enter region wars on the road against high-powered G.W. Long Rebels

The Elba Tigers will be back on the road Friday night when they kickoff region play against the G.W. Long Rebels, in Skipperville.

Elba holds a slim 3-2 series edge over G.W. Long, with two of the wins coming in the state playoffs, while the Rebels posted a wild 46-35 win over the Tigers last season, in Elba.

"G.W. Long is just as good as any team on our schedule," said Elba Tiger head coach Marc Sieving, "and we know we are in for a four quarter battle. They won ten games a year ago and went deep in the Class 2A playoffs, and have a host of very good players back this season. We can't get caught celebrating our two wins, because G.W. Long is a really good team and will get after us from the opening kick to the final horn."

Scott Horne is in his 13th year as the head coach at G.W. Long and has led the Rebels to an 87-42 record during his career. In a pre-season interview, Coach Horne stated his team will run the spread offense this season to take advantage of the team's athletic ability, and on defense will be aggressive up front and take

advantage of its quickness. Quarterback Kobie Stringer (6-1, 180) is back to lead the Rebel attack, and brings a dual threat to the field, as he can be effective as a passer, and coming out of the pocket running the ball. Running backs Trevor Morris (5-8, 155) and Carson Dunlap (5-11, 172) are both back to help Stringer on the offensive side of the ball, while senior Hunter Whitehead (5-10, 160) returns and can handle duties both as wide receiver and in the backfield.

The Rebel defense returns six starters from a year ago, led by all-state performer Hunter Whitehead at cornerback, defensive ends Carson Dunlap and Mekhian Jackson (6-0, 22) and linebacker Jackson Chancey (5-11, 185).

"We really don't know what G.W. Long will do on either side of the ball since they have yet to play a game," added Coach Sieving, "but we have watched the film of last year's game and the dozen or so plays in the preseason game before it got rained out, and it is easy to see they have a lot of quality athletes and are well coached. We will have a game plan going in, but to

be honest we are more concerned about us. We have to get better in all phases of the game and stop making so many mistakes. We won last week and it was a great win for our players and our fans, but we really didn't play well and made far too many mistakes to be a consistent winner. Our line has to improve by leaps and bounds in a very short time if we are going to be able to run our base offense, and we just have to clean up a lot of things on the offensive side. Over on defense we are playing hard and making some big plays, but

have to get better if we are going to keep on winning."

"This game is the most important game of the season because it is the next game and it is a region game," stated Coach Sieving. "Region games are what the season is all about and defines a teams success on the season. We are going to work hard in practice every day to coach the players to become better in everything they do, and we are going to get better and try to bring home a win Friday night against a very good team from G.W. Long."

## Area teams brace for opening of region action in week #3

The third week of the high school football season will kick off Friday night and teams all across the state will enter region wars. Following is a preview of this week's area games:

**New Brockton at Opp**

The (0-0) New Brockton Gamecocks will finally swing into action Friday night when they travel to Opp to tangle with the (1-1) Opp Bobcats. It will be the first meeting ever between the new region rivals, and while the Gamecocks will be playing their first game due to the team being quarantined, the Bobcats will bring a 1-1 record into the clash after defeating Geneva 67-14 and falling to Elba 26-21.

**Brantley at Kinston**

The top-ranked (1-0) Brantley Bulldogs will be on the road Friday night when they head down to Kinston for a region battle with the (1-1) Kinston Bulldogs. Brantley leads the series 30-4 and has won the last 22 match-ups, including a 55-13 win last season. The green-clad Bulldogs opened the season last week with a big 49-0 win over Luverne, while the orange and blue Bulldogs defeated Zion Chapel 40-26 to even their record at 1-1.

**Abbeville at Zion Chapel**

The (0-1) Zion Chapel Rebels will be back at Bates Memorial Stadium, in Enterprise, this week for a region clash with the (1-0) Abbeville Yellow Jackets. It will be the first ever meeting between the new region rivals, and the Rebels will bring an 0-1 slate into the contest after a 40-26 loss to Kinston, while the Jackets will be coming off a season opening win over 4A Headland 34-13.

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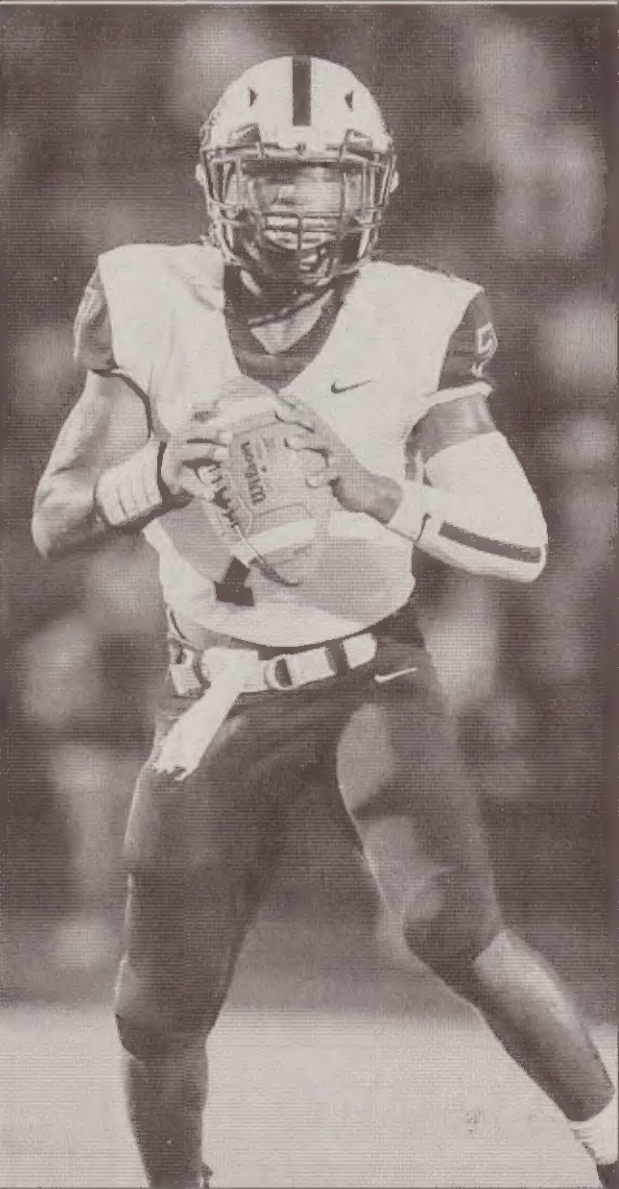
SPORTS NEWS



Elba Tiger John Martin Wilson (4) goes high to intercept an Opp pass in the endzone to turn back an early Bobcat scoring threat.



Elba Tiger Chrystyle Caldwell (44) sacks Opp quarterback for a big loss in last week's 26-21 win over the Bobcats.



Elba Tiger quarterback Jacquez Prince (7) looks for a receiver. Prince completed 6 of 7 pases for 96 yards and one touchdown in last week's 26-21 win over the Opp Bobcats.

**Elba's Prince makes AHSAA spotlight**

The Alabama High School Athletic Association this week released its prep football spotlight recognitions for "Week 1" play, and the Elba Tigers once again had a player recognized for outstanding play.

Elba quarterback Jacquez Prince accounted for two touchdowns in a 59-second span late in the fourth quarter to lift Class 2A Elba past Class 3A Opp 26-21. With Elba trailing 14-8, Prince threw a 14-yard

Tigers rally past Bobcats 26-21

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor  
Photos by BC Sports Photography

The Elba Tigers erupted for three fourth quarter touchdowns, including two scores in a span of only 59-seconds, to rally past the Opp Bobcats 26-21 Friday night on Opp's Randy Griffin Field.

The Elba defense turned back an early Opp scoring threat in the first quarter when the Tigers John Martin Wilson intercepted a Bobcat pass in the endzone, while the Tiger offense came up with a big play of its own only three plays later when Chrystyle Caldwell took a direct handoff from the blocking back position, burst through a hole in the Opp defense and raced 80 yards for a touchdown. Collin Harrison ran in the two-point conversion, and with 3:54 left in the opening quarter Elba was on top 8-0.

The Tigers failed to cash in a scoring opportunity on their next possession after setting up shop at the Opp 22-yardline after a bad snap on a punt attempt, and then watched as the Bobcats marched down the field and reached a first down and goal at the Elba seven-yardline. Opp quarterback Hal Smithart hit on seven passes for 78 yards to lead the Bobcats down the field. However, a 15-yard penalty against Opp backed the Bobcats up to the 20-yardline, and the Bobcats came away empty-handed when on fourth down a 37-yard field goal attempt fell far short.

Opp put the ball in play at its own 23-yardline midway through the second quarter after an Elba punt and this time reached paydirt on a 12-play, 77-yard scoring drive. Smithart hit on six passes for 42 yards and Terry Davis added an 11-yard dash on the long scoring drive, while Kevin Parreira scored the Bobcat touchdown on a 1-yard run. Davis ran in the two-point conversion, and with 1:38 remaining in the half the score was tied at 8-8.

The Bobcats failed to cash in another scoring opportunity early in the third quarter after reaching the Elba 28-yardline, but regained possession at the Elba 40-yardline after a short punt and cashed in the excellent field position as the Bobcats covered the distance in six plays, with the touchdown coming on a 9-yard pass from Smithart to Curt Zorn. A two-point pass missed its target, but with 5:18 left in the quarter the Bobcats held their first lead of the night at 14-8.

Elba began its ensuing offensive series at the Opp 46-yardline after an unsuccessful on-sides kick attempt, and covered the distance in nine plays to pull even. A 29-yard pass from Jacquez Prince to Peyton McCart on fourth down and 19 kept the drive alive after a big loss on a bad snap, and one play later Chrystyle Caldwell took a snap in the backfield and ran over two Bobcat defenders on his way to a 2-yard touchdown run. A two-point try failed to add points, but the Tigers had pulled even at 14-14 with 11:53 remaining in the fourth quarter.

Punts ended the next three offensive possessions, with Elba winding up with the football at its own 40-yardline after a 36-yard Bobcat boot. A 13-yard loss on first down after a bad snap



Elba Tiger Peyton McCart (20) pulls in a fourth down pass for a first down to set up a Tiger touchdown in last week's 26-21 win over Opp. McCart caught two passes for 68 yards in the exciting win.

put the Tigers behind the chains. However, Elba's offense came up with yet another big play three plays later when on fourth down and four, at the Elba 47-yardline, Jacquez Prince hit Peyton McCart with a jump pass just past the line of scrimmage, and the lanky junior receiver rambled 39 yards to set the Tigers up at the Opp 14-yardline. Prince went back to the air on the next play and connected with John Martin Wilson, who dodged a defender and raced into the endzone for a Tiger touchdown. A two-point pass missed its target, but with 2:41 left in the final quarter Elba had regained the lead at 20-14.

Opp began its next possession at its own 20-yardline and quickly moved out to the 37 after a pass completion from Smithart to Peyton Ellis, but three plays later the Tigers Jacquez Prince stepped in front of a Smithart pass for an interception and weaved his way 47 yards for a sudden Tiger touchdown. A two-point try again failed. However, after scoring two touchdowns in a matter of only 59-seconds, Elba was now on top 26-14 with 1:42 left on the clock.

Opp put the ball in play at its own 42-yardline to begin its ensuing offensive series, and with the Tiger defense backed up to prevent a quick score, the Bobcats went 58 yards in nine plays to get back into the endzone. The score came on a 10-yard pass from Smithart to Robbie Gafford, and Jackson Pierce added the extra-point to pull Opp within 26-21 with 12 ticks left on the clock.

Elba fielded the ensuing on-sides kick attempt, and simply ran out the clock to put the finishing touches on the exciting 26-21 road win over the Bobcats.

Jacquez Prince ran for 35 yards on 10 carries, completed 6 of 7 passes for 96 yards and one touchdown, and returned a pass interception 47 yards for a touchdown to spark the Tigers, while Chrystyle Caldwell rushed for 90



Elba Tiger cheerleaders hold up the run through as the Tigers prepare to take the field.

yards on 3 carries and scored two touchdowns. Peyton McCart caught two passes for 68 yards, and John Martin Wilson pulled in a 14-yard touchdown toss.

Hal Smithart completed 32 of 58 passes, with three interceptions, for 303 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Bobcats, while Peyton Ellis caught 10 passes for 137 yards and gained 44 yards rushing on nine carries.

The yardstick....			
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7	1st Downs	26	
28-117	Rushes-Yds.	20-26	
96	Passing Yds.	303	
213	Total Offense	329	
6-7-1	Passes	32-58-3	
8/2	Fumbles/Lost	2/0	
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## SPORTS NEWS



**HERE COME THE BULLDOGS....** The Brantley Bulldogs run past the 'Big Dog' as they take the field last week in the season opening game against the Luverne Tigers.

### Brantley clobbers Luverne 49-0

Photos by Cody Nichols

The Brantley Bulldogs kicked off the season in grand fashion last week with a resounding 49-0 win over the Luverne Tigers, on a damp night at David Lowery Stadium.

Junior quarterback

Tucker Kilcrease led the top-ranked Bulldogs on offense as he completed 13 of 20 passes for 157 yards and 5 touchdowns, and added a 19-yard touchdown scamper.

Keldrick Brown also had a big night for the Bulldogs as he pulled in a 15-yard



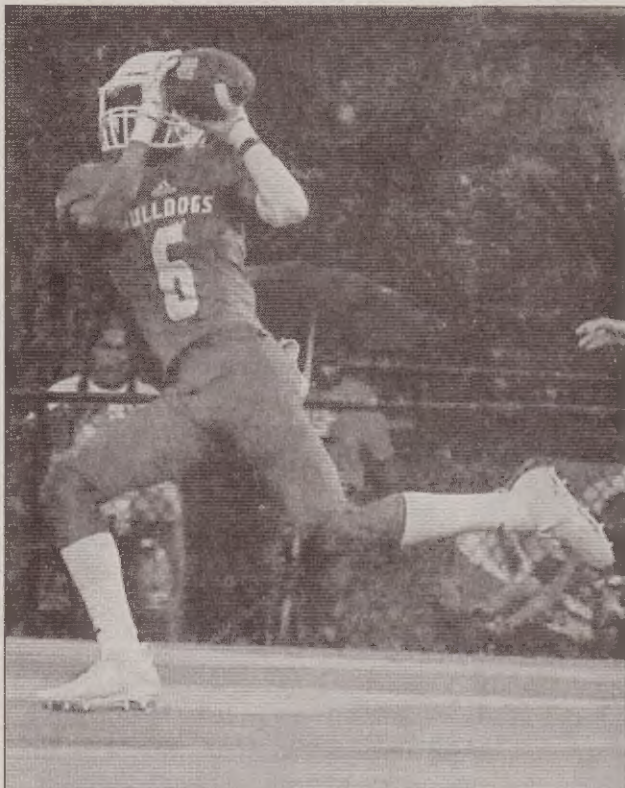
**Brantley Bulldog receiver** goes high to pull in a pass despite good coverage by a Luverne defender. The Bulldog rolled to a 49-0 win over their cross-county rivals.

touchdown toss, made 9 and ½ tackles, including four tackles for losses, returned a fumble for a touchdown and had a forced fumble.

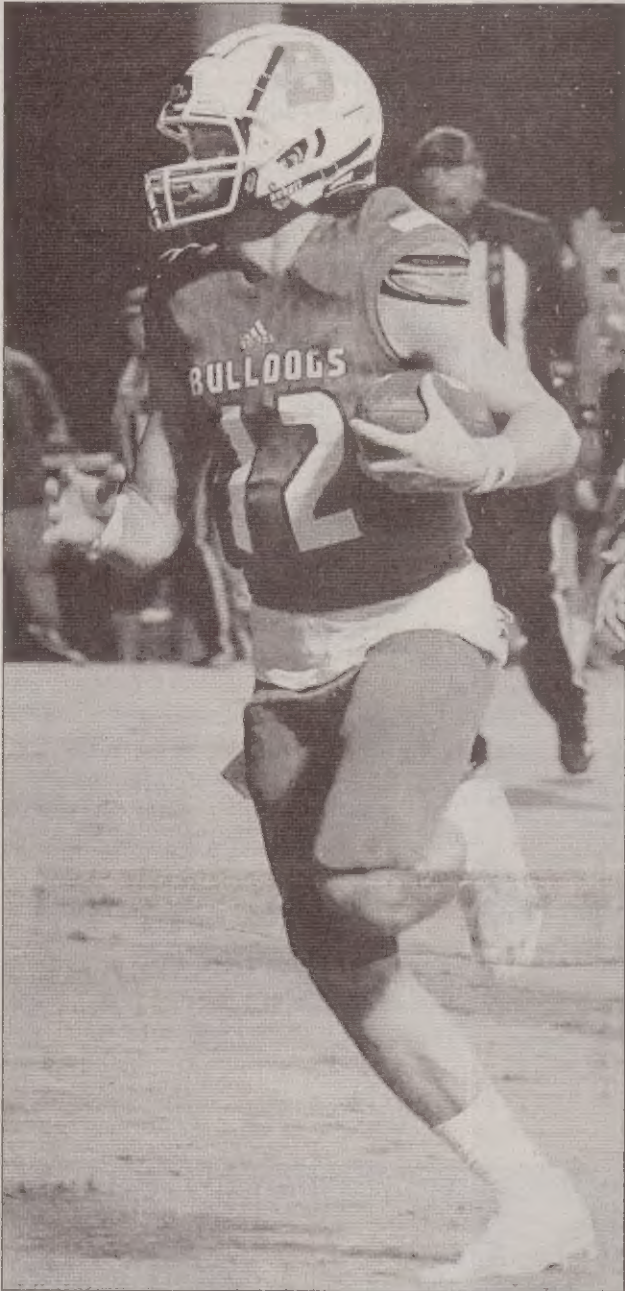
Kenuwyn Dixon caught 4 passes for 86 yards and three touchdowns, while Westley Person had a 29-yard scoring reception and

Daquan Pittman rushed for 40 yards on just two carries. Carson Jones added 2.5 tackles to help anchor the Brantley defense that limited the Tigers to only 32 yards in total offense.

Brantley travels to Kinston this Friday night, Sept. 4th. Kickoff is 7 p.m.



**Brantley Bulldog Westley Person (6)** hauls in a long touchdown pass in last week's big 49-0 romp over the Luverne Tigers. The Bulldogs travel to Kinston Friday night.



**Brantley Bulldog Tucker Kilcrease (12)** heads for the end-zone. Kilcrease passed for 157 yards and 5 touchdowns and rushed for a touchdown in the Bulldogs 49-0 win over Luverne.

### State Conservation advisory board approves three day extension for red snapper season

By DAVID RAINER

The Alabama Conservation Advisory Board approved a three-day extension of the red snapper season and tabled a motion to change the season dates and bag limit for wild turkeys at its recent meeting in Mobile.

Chris Blankenship, Commissioner of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR), recommended a three-day extension of the red snapper season, which the Board approved unanimously. The extra red snapper days are set for October 10-12. The Board also voted to give the Commissioner leeway to adjust those dates should inclement weather interfere with the planned extension.

"We saw an increased participation in red snapper season," Commissioner Blankenship said. "People couldn't play travel ball. They weren't going to Disney World or going on family vacations. Consequently, we saw increased participation on all weekends of the red snapper season. Because of that, we closed the season on July 3 as we were approaching the quota on red snapper. After checking the data and seeing the final landings, we have about 128,000 pounds of red snapper quota left."

The Commissioner said the approved extension is the Saturday, Sunday and Monday of Columbus Day weekend.

The Board heard a presentation from Mike Chamberlain, the Terrell Professor of Wildlife Ecology and Management at the University of Georgia, about the decline of wild turkey populations in the South. Chamberlain's presentation was the same one given to Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, which wanted to see data on how harvest impacts the population dynamics.

"Arkansas' turkey population has been declining for a number of years," Chamberlain said. "The trajectory of the population in Arkansas is almost identical to the trajectory of the population in Alabama, except that Alabama is about seven or eight years behind."

Chamberlain, who is studying wild turkeys in numerous states from Arizona to North Carolina, said gobbling activity begins about 45 days before the peak of nesting.

"Gobblers become receptive well before the hens do," he said. "We know two things drive gobbling activity. One is hen availability. As hens become less available, gobbling increases. The other is competition amongst themselves. If your buddy is gobbling, you gobble."

"What we see is that a lot of gobbling in March corresponds to no breeding activity. We also see that gobbling really picks up when hens start to nest."

Chamberlain said what we're dealing with in the South is an increased harvest of gobblers and a survival rate of hatchlings that is not high enough to sustain the population.

"What we see is a slow, gradual decline across all the states in the Southeast," he said. "The survival rate of a clutch is 1 to 1½ pouls per hen. That is not sustainable. So, it makes sense that the populations have slowly declined."

Chamberlain also said his studies indicate that about 80 percent of the harvest occurs before the peak of incubation.

"If you remove four toms from 2,400 acres, gobbling decreases four-fold," he said.

Chamberlain pointed out that the reported harvest on the opening weekend of Alabama's 2020 season was 43 percent higher than the harvest from 2019, a trend that held true throughout the Southeast.

"We know that early in the season, the dominant birds are the ones being shot," he said. "So that 43 percent disproportionately affects the older, dominant birds."

Chamberlain said the result of taking the dominant birds out of the population is an increase in the length of nesting activity. Instead of most of the egg-laying occurring within a few weeks, he said the hatching of the eggs is now stretched out over as much as 100 days.

"If all of these hens drop

their clutches within a couple of weeks, they will hatch about the same time," he said. "By scattering them across the landscape across 100 days, you give predators the advantage. With all the eggs hatching at one time, predators can't possibly find all of them. If you stretch it across three months — rat snakes, raccoons, horned owls — you're giving them an advantage."

Board Chairman Joey Dobbs asked Chamberlain if he had suggestions on how to stop the decline of the turkey population in Alabama and the Southeast.

"There are some things we can control and some things we can't," Chamberlain said. "This bird, uniformly across the Southeast, is dealing with habitat issues — declining quality, fragmentation, urbanization. We have diseases that are popping up that are affecting the birds. We have predator communities that are much more diverse than they were. We can't control any of that because most turkeys live on private land."

"What we can control is what we know impacts this bird. That is harvest. We've known this since the mid-'90s."

After Chamberlain's presentation, a motion was made to change the dates and bag limit for Alabama's turkey season with a starting date of April 1 through the first Saturday in May with a season bag limit of three birds. The current regulations open the spring turkey season in most of the state on the third Saturday in March with a season bag limit of five birds.

When asked for a recommendation on turkey season by Chairman Dobbs, Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Director Chuck Sykes said the decline in Arkansas' turkey numbers is an ominous indication of

where Alabama is headed without change.

"I would ask the Board to move the season starting date to as late as possible with a three-bird bag limit," Sykes said. "I think Dr. Chamberlain showed that Arkansas is in a bad way right now. We're headed in that direction. The sooner we can take proactive solutions, the better. I don't want to kick this can down the road any farther. Thank y'all for saying you will take this up at the first meeting of 2021 and make a decision. It's time."

Commissioner Blankenship also reported an increase in license sales, which is the main source of income for the ADCNR.

"Our hunting, fishing and Wildlife Heritage licenses were up a good bit," he said. "Our non-resident licenses were down, as you can imagine with the travel restrictions."

"Our new licenses are on sale now. One of the things we added this year was packages. If you want to hunt deer, you can select a hunt package. If you want to fish freshwater, you can select that package. If you want to fish saltwater, you can select that package. We wanted to make it easier for the public to go online and purchase licenses."

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## SPORTS NEWS

## Kinston Bulldogs run over Rebels 40-26

Statistics by Dickey Adcock and Joey Arnold  
Photos by Linda Hodge and Catrina Arnold

The Kinston Bulldogs pulled ahead for good late in the second quarter and never looked back Friday night in an exciting 40-26 win over the Zion Chapel Rebels, at Bates Memorial Stadium, in Enterprise.

Zion Chapel received the opening kick and stunned the Bulldogs as the Rebels needed only three plays to cover the 64 yards to the endzone. The score came on a 58-yard pass from Whit Wilkerson to Levi Mills, and while the extra-point try failed, Zion Chapel was on top 6-0 with 10:24 still left in the opening quarter.

Kinston began its ensuing possession at its own 35-yardline and the Bulldogs promptly marched 65 yards

in 12 running plays to pull even. Addison Hudson gained 20 yards on six carries and Hunter Hughes added a 24-yard scamper to help lead the Bulldogs down the field, while Gary Wallace capped the drive on a 1-yard quarterback sneak. The extra-point try failed, but with 5:06 remaining in the quarter the score was tied at 6-6.

Kinston began its next offensive series at its own 15-yardline after a Rebel punt, and this time the Bulldogs marched 85 yards in 11 running plays to take the lead. Gary Wallace gained 23 yards on two carries to get the drive started and Addison Hudson added a 25-yard gallop on the third play of the possession as Kinston crossed midfield, and it was Hudson that put the Bulldog on top when he scored on a 5-yard run. The extra-point

try again failed to add points, but Kinston was now on top 12-6 with 9:37 left in the second quarter.

The Rebels bounced right back on their ensuing possession and went 62 yards in eight plays to catch the Bulldogs. Brockston Bragg gained 19 yards on three carries and scored the Zion Chapel touchdown on an 11-yard pass from Whit Wilkerson, but the extra-point try again failed and with 6:34 left in the quarter the score was tied at 12-12.

Kinston didn't take long to regain the lead; however, as the Bulldogs went 68 yards in five running plays to get back into the endzone. A 47-yard dash by Blake Senn was a key play in the scoring drive, while Addison Hudson scored his second touchdown of the half on a 2-yard run up the middle. Jeb Crosby ran in the two-point conversion, and with 4:08 left in the half the Bulldogs were back on top 20-12.

Kinston received the second half kickoff and needed only five plays to cover 63 yards to extend its lead. The Bulldog score came on a 47-yard pass from Jeb Crosby to Hunter Hughes, and while the extra-point try failed, the Bulldogs lead was up to 26-12 with 9:27 remaining in the third quarter.

Zion Chapel failed to mount a threat on its ensuing possession, but got the ball right back when the Rebels Shaun Smith recovered a Bulldog bobble at the Kinston 14-yardline, and two plays later Zakryan Adair scored on a 9-yard run for a Rebel touchdown. Adam Staver kicked the extra point, and with 5:22 left in the quarter the Rebels had cut the Kinston lead to 26-19.

Kinston began its ensuing possession at its own 39-yardline and marched 61 yards in nine plays to stretch its lead back out to two scores. Addison Hudson gained 30 yards on eight carries to lead the Bulldogs down the field, while the score came on a 37-yard touchdown toss from Jeb Crosby to Cale Sumblin. John Free kicked the extra point, and with 55-seconds left in the quarter the Bulldogs lead was up to 33-19.

Kinston began its next offensive series at its own 42-yardline after a Rebel punt, and this time it took the Bulldogs four running plays to find the endzone. Konner Walker gained 48 yards on three carries and scored the touchdown on a 1-yard run, and Free added the extra point as the Bulldogs lead



Kinston Bulldog Hunter Hughes (14) heads downfield for a big gain as Zion Chapel Rebel Zakryan Adair (4) hangs on. The Bulldogs defeated the Rebels 40-26 last week in a cross-county clash.

grew to 40-19 with 10:25 left in the fourth quarter.

Zion Chapel went three and out on its next possession, but got the ball back late after a defensive stand near midfield, and scored the final points of the night with 1:22 left on the clock on a 57-yard sprint by Brockston Bragg. The final score proved to be too little, too late; however, as Kinston claimed the 40-26 win.

Addison Hudson gained 115 yards on 26 carries and scored 2 touchdowns to lead the Kinston ground game, while Konner Walker added 87 yards and 1 td on 9 carries and Ayden Wallace rushed for 41 yards and 1 td on 11 carries. Jeb Crosby completed two of two passes for 84 yards and 2 td's.

The Bulldogs had 438 total yards in the game with 18 first downs. They were penalized 11 times for 109 yards.

Brockston Bragg rushed for 195 yards and 1 td on 18 carries and caught two passes for 30 yards and 1 td to spark the Zion Chapel offense, while Whit Wilkerson completed 9 of 14 passes for 162 yards and 2 td's.

The Rebels had 371 total yards in the game with 10 first downs. They were penalized eight times for 62 yards.

This week, Kinston will host Brantley, and Zion Chapel will host Abbeville in region games.



Kinston Bulldog band members ignored the less than perfect weather and maintained the proper social distancing to keep the large Bulldog crowd fired up at last week's 40-26 win over Zion Chapel.



Kinston Bulldog Addison Hudson (15) fights for yardage in last week's 40-26 win over Zion Chapel. Hudson gained 115 yards on 26 carries and scored 2 touchdowns to spark the Bulldogs.



Kinston cheerleaders had plenty to cheer about last week as the Bulldogs rolled to a 40-26 win over Zion Chapel.



Zion's Brockston Bragg (#18) runs through a hole made by his offensive line for a big gain last Friday night. Bragg had 225 total yards (rushing and receiving) in the game to lead the Rebels. He also scored two touchdowns.

## VOLLEYBALL HIGHLIGHTS

## Elba falls on road to Florala

The Elba Lady Tigers opened their season on the road in Florala and lost to the Lady Cats 20-25, 14-25, 25-22, 20-25. Jasmine Magwood had 4 digs to lead Elba, while Danaejah Flowers and Nevaeh Sanders both added 2 digs and Andrya Chism had 1 dig.

## Brantley drops Opp in five sets

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs opened the season with an exciting 15-25, 25-22, 25-19, 21-25, 15-12 win over the Opp Lady Bobcats. No stats were available.

## Zion Chapel drops New Brockton

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels posted an impressive 25-22, 25-20, 23-25, 25-20 win over New Brockton. Kacy Hussey had 10 kills, 3 blocks, 7 digs and 2 aces to lead the Lady Rebels, while Halee Deal added 7 kills, 5 aces and 5 digs. Anna Clark led the Lady Gamecocks with 8 kills and 5 blocks, while Jaylin Vera added 9 kills and 13 digs, Shelby Hobbs added 22 digs, Taylor Hussey added 10 kills and Justice Ellis had 26 assists. Zion Chapel won the JV match 25-17, 25-13, while New Brockton won the junior high match 25-20, 22-25, 15-9.

## Elba falls to Luverne at home

The Elba Lady Tigers fell to 0-4 on the young season with a 20-25, 14-25, 22-25 loss to Luverne. Mikenzy Hooks, Andrya Chism and Danaejah Flowers all had 1 kill to lead Elba, while Chism added 2 blocks and Flowers added 3 blocks. Callie Pope had 2 digs. The Elba junior team posted a 25-15, 23-25, 15-7 win to improve their record to 2-0.



LET'S HIT IT THIS WAY.... A Brantley Lady Bulldog volleyball player gives instructions to her teammates during a recent win over Opp. The Lady Bulldog are off to a fast start this season on the court.

(Photo by Cody Nichols)

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## More photos from the Southern Tractor Company ground breaking held last week in Elba



STC employees, Streetman family members, city, state and chamber officials all participated in the official groundbreaking last Wednesday morning, Aug. 26, in Elba for the construction of the new STC facility.



Elba Mayor Mickey Murdock speaking



Blake Streetman uses one of the tractors his company sells to prepare the dirt for groundbreaking while the Elba queens watch and applaud.



The graphic was on display at the STC groundbreaking showing a variety of the retail store anticipates offering to customers once it opens.

### Elba Library staff assists with filling out the 2020 Census

The Elba Public Library is open by appointment only. Items being returned should still be placed in drop box located out in front of the library building.

There is a 30-minute time limit being exercised. Call 334-897-6921 for availability. Temporary library hours are Monday and Tuesday 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.; Wednesday 8 a.m.

until 2 p.m.; Thursday and Friday 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. The Library also assists citizens Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. with filling out Census reports. It is encouraged that

anyone needing assistance in filling out their Census report to visit the library for help. Elba currently only shows a 52 percent response rate for the 2020 Census. Visit the Library!!

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### Local Meeting Notices:

• The Coffee County Conservation District board members will hold their monthly board meeting Thursday, Sept. 10, at the Coffee County Commission Room, 1065 E. McKinnon Street, New Brockton, Ala. The meeting will start at 9 a.m. Only a limited number of people can be allowed in the room so those who plan to attend should call 334-894-5581X3, prior to the meeting.



State Senator Jimmy Holley participated in the STC groundbreaking ceremony

## PUBLIC NOTICES:

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### WATER WORKS & ELECTRICAL BOARD OF THE CITY OF ELBA COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA DOWNTOWN WATER MAIN REPLACEMENTS ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed Bids for Downtown Water Main Replacements contract will be received, by Water Works & Electrical Board of the City of Elba, at the meeting room of City Hall of Elba; 200 Buford Street; Elba, Alabama 36323, until 11:00 a.m. local time on Friday, September 18, 2020, at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read. The project consists of the installation of 6,700 LF of 6" PVC, CL 200 Water Main, 2,700 LF of 8" PVC, CL 200 Water Main, 145 removal and installation of new fire hydrant assembly, 6,400 LF of saw-cutting existing asphalt, 1,000 Ton of Roadway Stone (Asphalt Patch), and other appurtenances.

Bids will be received for each prime Contract. Bids shall be on a lump sum and unit price basis as indicated in the Bid Form. To be eligible for consideration, bids must be submitted on complete proposals made available by the Owner. Complete digital project bidding documents are available upon an online payment of a non-refundable fee of \$40.00 by visiting our website -www.southernengineering-solutions.com and clicking the "Currently Bidding" link at the top of the page. A free one-time membership registration with Quest CDN will be required. Please contact questcdn.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com if you require assistance in registration, downloading, or working with this digital project information. Optional complete paper bid documents are available at Southern Engineering Solutions, Inc.; P O Box 610; 201 East Troy Street; Andalusia, Alabama 36420, upon payment of a refundable (if plans are returned in reusable condition within 10 days of bid opening) deposit of \$80.00. Bid documents will be mailed only upon receipt of deposit. If paper option is chosen, checks shall be made payable to Southern Engineering Solutions, Inc. No paper bid documents will be distributed later than 48 hours prior to the scheduled opening of bids.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

and to waive any informalities.

Each bidder must submit with his bid, security in the amount, form, and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders. The successful bidder will be required to submit a 100% performance bond and a 50% payment bond.

All bidders must comply with the requirements of the Contractor's Licensing Law of the State of Alabama and be certified for the type of work for which a proposal is submitted. The submission of the Bidders' current State of Alabama license number will be required before his/her bid will be received or considered.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

A pre-bid conference will be held at 11:00 a.m. local time on Friday, September 11, 2020 at the meeting room of City Hall of Elba; 200 Buford Street; Elba, Alabama 36323. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is highly encouraged but is not mandatory.

Bid security shall be furnished in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference applies an American Iron and Steel requirement to this project. All listed iron and steel products used in this project must be produced in the

United States. The term "iron and steel products" means the following products made primarily of iron or steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers, and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges, pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, reinforced precast concrete, and construction materials.

Owner: Water Works & Electrical Board of the City of Elba

By: Tim Johnson

Title: Chairman

Date: August 26, 2020

++ END OF ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS ++ 9/3-chg.

### IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

CASE NO. PC 2020-040

IN THE MATTER OF HUGHIE WILDON BRYAN, JR. Deceased

### NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August 2020. /s/ Lisa Bryan Brown Personal Representative 9/3,10,17-pd

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS ANNUAL TRIPLE LAYER SURFACE TREATMENT COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

Sealed bids will be received by the Coffee County Commission at the Office Complex in New Brockton, Alabama, until 9:00 A.M., September 16, 2020, and at that time publicly open for constructing the following:

Annual bid for supplying and placement of Triple Layer Surface Treatments in quantities as requested by the Coffee County Highway Department.

The contract period shall be for 12 months with an option to issue a second and third 12 month contract under the same pricing, terms and conditions.

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Specifications and Proposals may be obtained at the Coffee County Engineer's Office, 1165 East McKinnon Street, New Brockton, Alabama from 6:30 A.M. until 5:00 P.M., Monday through Thursday (telephone 334-894-6112). No proposal fee is required.

The bidder's proposal must be submitted on the complete original proposal furnished him by the Coffee County Commission. Bids will be received only from contractors duly licensed by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors.

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Dean Smith, Chairman  
Coffee County Commission

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